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Summary of Rainfall and Temperature Observations from Sept., 1880, to Nov., 1893, inclusive, at the Lick Observatory [compiled by C. D. Perrine].

	infall.	TEMPERATURE.					
Month.	Average Rainfall.	Average Maximum.	Average Minimum.	Меап.	Highest Maximum on Record.	Lowest Minimum on Record.	Average Daily Range.
July August September October November December. January February March April May June	0.00 0.01 0.30 1.44 2.56 9.06 3.85 4.31 5.62 3.68 1.76 0.59	79.2 80.0 73.5 62.9 56.2 49.7 48.4 47.9 51.0 58.5 64.0 70.0	60.6 63.3 56.1 46.9 41.5 36.3 36.6 33.6 37.0 37.1 46.9 51.1	69.9 71.7 64.8 54.9 48.9 43.0 42.5 40.7 44.0 47.8 55.5 60.5	94 96 93 88 88 72 72 74 80 82 90	36 39 30 25 26 17 14 12 18 21 28	18.6 16.7 17.4 16.0 14.7 13.4 11.8 14.3 14.0 21.4 17.1 18.9
Annual	33.18	61.8	45.6	53.7			16.2

BRIGHT METEOR (?) IN NORTH CAROLINA, DECEMBER 20, 1893.

Hon. E. S. MARTIN, of Wilmington, sends the following newspaper clipping relative to a bright meteor (?) seen in Raleigh on the morning of December 20th.

"There was a remarkable spectacle in the sky, a little south of east, early this morning, which greatly frightened the negroes. About 3 o'clock a luminous mass, about the size of a barrel, was seen in the sky, at an altitude of about 20 degrees above the horizon. It was dazzlingly white, and from its upper portion a shaft of light rose to a great height. As daylight came this shaft assumed a zigzag form. It was 6.15 o'clock when the luminous object disappeared, appearing to sink. Negroes in the country ran to the houses of white people and told them of the spectacle in the sky, and confessed their fright. Many people in this city saw the strange sight."

MISSING MAPS OF ARGELANDER'S DURCHMUSTERUNG WANTED.

The Lick Observatory desires to purchase maps Nos. 2, 3, 5 and 6 of Argelander's *Durchmusterung*. E. S. H.